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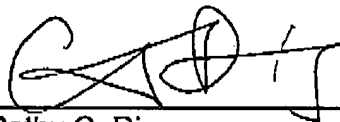
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Pursuant to permission granted by the Examiner during a telephone conversation on October 19, 2005, this Second Preliminary Amendment will replace a Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination on September 16, 2005. Please reexamine and reconsider the application in view of the amendments made herein (in place of the amendments from the initially filed Preliminary Amendment) and the remarks as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.